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Application No. : 10/693,025
Inventor(s) : Suzanne M. Torontali
Filed : October 24, 2003
Art Unit : 1631
Examiner : Anna Skibinsky
Docket No. : 9394L
Confirmation No. : 1757
Customer No. : 27752
Title : Amplification of Signal Using a
Bead-Based Oligonucleotide Assay

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

An extension of time is hereby requested under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

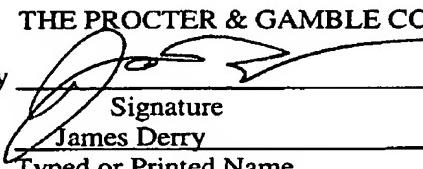
Authorization is hereby given to charge the following fee and any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company:

One month extension under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1).

Respectfully submitted,

THE PROCTER & GAMBLE COMPANY

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